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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Toshihiro MORI et al.

Group Art Unit: 1742

Examiner: S. Ip

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Application No.: 09/974,978 October 12, 2001

Confirmation No.: 9869

Title: HYDROGEN-ABSORBING ALLOY AND HYDROGEN-ABSORBING ALLOY ELECTRODE

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

**Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following extension of time is requested to: extend the time for responding to the Final Official Action dated October 7, 2003

two months toM	larch 7, 2004	□ \$210.00 (2252) <b>Ξ</b> \$420.00 (1252)
The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action dated  An extension fee in the amount of \$ 420.00 is enclosed.  Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.		
The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16, 1.17 and		
1.21 that may be required by this	paper, and to credit	t any overpayment, to Deposit Account No.
02-4800. This paper is submitted	d in duplicate.	
		Respectfully submitted,
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Date:

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